

## AIR ATTACK ON LONDON KILLS AND WOUNDS 29

BANK ACTIVITY  
IS CHECKED BY  
BOYCOTT LIST

Sec'y Lansing in Conferences  
With Ambassador Page and  
Sharp Finds Trade Situation  
of Extreme Gravity.

CABLES AND LETTERS  
NEEDLESSLY DELAYED

Renewal of Demand For Relief  
From Britain and  
France Will be Vigorously  
Pressed by U. S.

International News Service:  
WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—Following the demand for a speedy reply to its protest against further interference with mails between neutral countries and the United States this government will press in sharp terms for immediate action on its boycott demands. The conference now in progress here between Sec'y of State Lansing and Ambassador Page and Sharp, home on "vacation leave" from London and Paris, respectively, has placed the United States in possession of new and important facts in both cases. This information shows that the situation is becoming more and more critical, going very close to an organized conspiracy against American business interests.

Merely Scrutiny Surface.  
When Sec'y Lansing conferred with the American ambassadors he developed the fact that the complaints already filed with his department and the department of commerce, and carefully guarded from publicity, seem only to scratch the surface of the situation. The great New York banking interests, the secretary has learned, have been forced to abandon nearly all of their plans for financing up on a large scale international trade with neutral countries because of the combined Anglo-French boycott on American merchants and interference with the mails.

The financial concerns are re-fraining from making any further appeals to the state department because of the failure to get action in the past. Their present method is simply to cite the facts without comment. They declare that it has been necessary practically to stop such transactions as the handling of commercial letters of credit involving shipments of merchandise to foreign ports. They also state that they have notified their correspondents in foreign capitals of the situation and will wait relief if it can be secured by this government without attempting any new business.

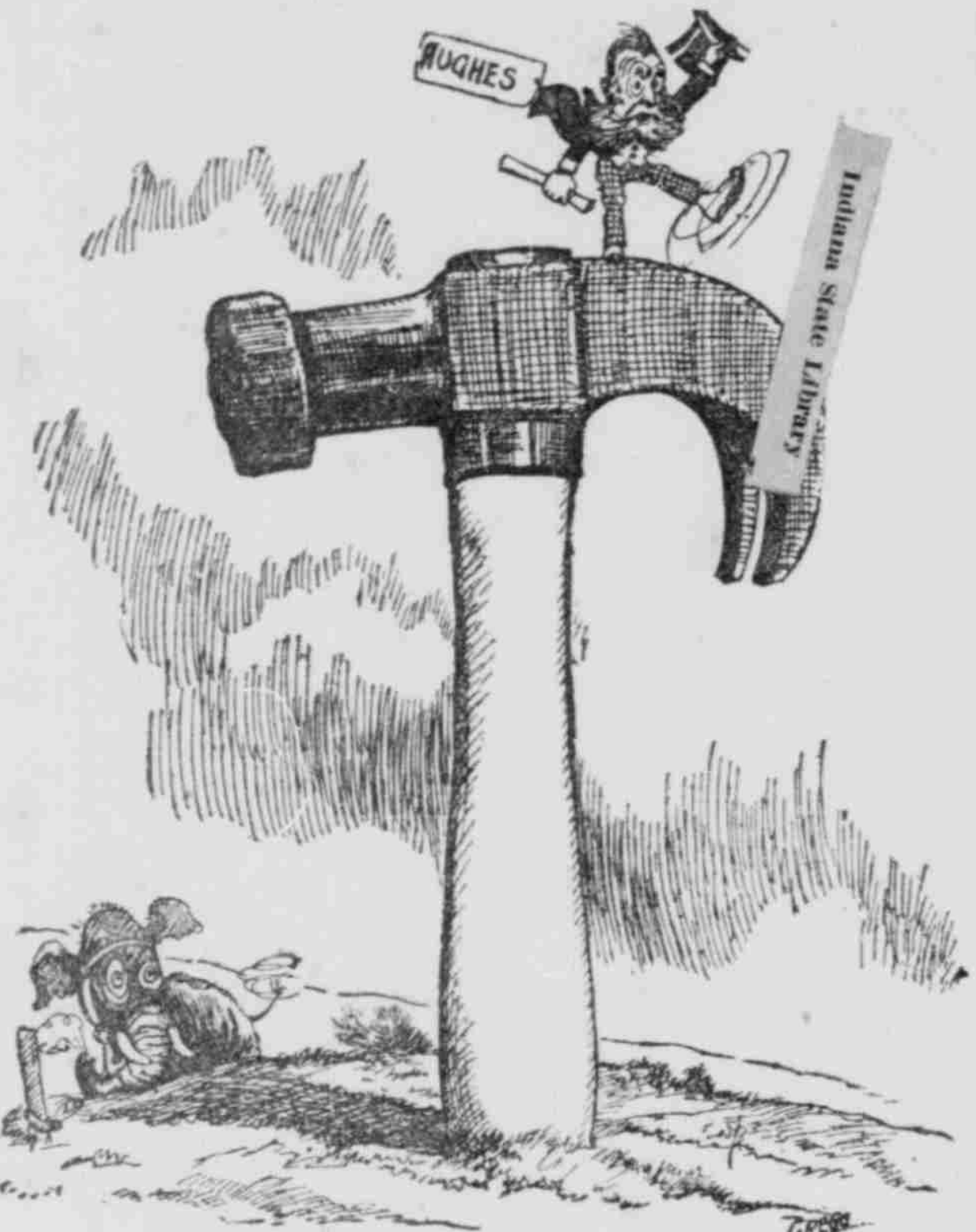
Cables Held Up.  
There are on file with the department of commerce and the state department complaints which show conclusively that cablesgrams, many bearing upon the most vital financial questions, have been subject to five and six days delay, and some times as much as 10 days in transmission from Stockholm, Bern, The Hague and other neutral capitals. Mail advice are held up so long as to be absolutely worthless when they arrive here.  
It is now considered certain before Messrs. Sharp and Page return to their posts they will receive instructions specifically to demand relief at the hands of the French and British foreign offices. They have conferred with Sec'y Lansing and will also talk things over with him before leaving. The situation admittedly is intolerable, but it has been impossible to even get a direct reply to protests because of the diplomatic red tape with which the entente allies have surrounded all of their operations.

DEUTSCHLAND CREW IS  
READY TO START AGAIN

International News Service:  
BERLIN (via Amsterdam), Aug. 25.—All of the members of the returned merchant submarine Deutschland, including Capt. Paul Koenig, have declared their readiness to undertake another voyage to the United States as soon as the boat is loaded.

Pres't Lehman of the Ocean Co., owners of the Deutschland, went out to meet the underwriter boat when it arrived at Heligoland, and personally welcomed the crew. Herr Lehman took charge of the mails for distribution.

The owners' expectations regarding the carrying power of the submarine were surpassed, but it suffered severely on the deck from rough weather.



THIS PLATFORM

RECLUSE A 'MARK'  
FOR SWINDLERS

Millions of Aged Edward Morrison Slipped Away to Confidence Men.

International News Service:  
CHICAGO, Aug. 25.—Efforts to unravel the mystery surrounding the financial affairs of Edward W. Morrison, the millionaire recluse, were renewed today. Morrison's fortune, which has been variously estimated at from \$5,000,000 to \$10,000,000, has been fast vanishing under the deft touches of many confidence games, the authorities believe. John Summers, a Wabash jeweler and long time friend of the aged millionaire, stated today that he had spent more than \$200,000 of the old man's money "taking him around" to various bright light places.

A search of the Morrison home, a ramshackle old place on W. Harrison st., by agents for the receivers of his estate, revealed many "I. O. U.'s" which are said to be worthless.

James R. Ward, who has been Morrison's attorney for years and who himself holds deeds to some \$2,000,000 of Morrison's property, is trying to show that the recluse land owner has for years been an "easy" mark for all sorts of swindlers.

ESCORT FOR BREMEN  
ARRIVES IN PORT

International News Service:  
NEW LONDON, Conn., Aug. 25.—The North Lloyd steamer Willard which was erroneously reported to have arrived here last night, came through the Race shortly after 9 o'clock this morning and headed into the harbor. Tugs of the U. S. Navy, which had been waiting for a message by wireless announcing her arrival, put out at once to tow her in to the state pier, where a berth has been reserved for her near the warehouse of the Eastern Forwarding Co., now in course of construction and believed to be preparing for the arrival here of the submarine Bremen.

CARRANZA ORDERS ALL  
TO LIST THEIR PROPERTY

International News Service:  
MEXICO CITY (via Galveston, Texas), Aug. 25.—A decree ordering all property owners in Mexico to immediately prepare a statement showing their holdings was issued today by First Chief Carranza. The decree was issued presumably to determine the amount of taxation necessary to secure adequate revenue.

Carranza officials will check up on all statements in order that there will be no "tax dodging."

## STEAMSHIP MOVEMENTS.

International News Service:  
NEW YORK, Aug. 25.—Sailings today: Nieuw Amsterdam, Falmouth-Rotterdam; California, Glasgow; St. Paul, Liverpool; Kristianfjord, Bergen; Saxonia, Liverpool; Lafayette, Bordeaux; Stockholm, Sweden.  
Due to arrive: Baltic, Liverpool; St. Dunstan, Bordeaux.

BRITAIN REFUSES  
U. S. EXPLANATION

Silent on Seizure of American Fishing Boats—Plans to Justify Action.

International News Service:  
WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—The state department still is without any information regarding the seizure of the American fishing schooners Maxine Elliott and Lizzie Griffin by British cruisers while fishing in the open sea off the coast of Iceland. Consul Gen. Robert P. Skinner at London has demanded an explanation, but has been told that it cannot be made until a report has been received from the admiralty. The two schooners are held at Lerwick, Shetland islands, and their detention may add to the friction constantly growing between the United States and Great Britain over the latter's maritime methods.

In connection with the seizure and the detention of 150 Dutch and many Norwegian and Swedish fishing craft, the American embassy at London has communicated to the state department that, so far as the Dutch and Scandinavians are concerned, the British government plans to justify its action. It will in its reply to the Netherlands government, now about complete, admit the right of Dutch fishermen to ply their trade anywhere, but will declare that the majority of the fleet are controlled by German capital and that the catch invariably finds its way into Germany for consumption there.

## Will Try to Prove Claims.

Great Britain, in substantiation of its claim that practically all of the fish caught by the Dutch fleet in the North sea is shipped to Germany and Austria-Hungary, will explain in minute detail the operations of the German general purchasing agency, which, it will be claimed, cloaks its activities in the Netherlands under the official name "N. V. Algemeine Import and Export Co." England will allege that this concern, "by insidious means," controls in some cases and in others actually directs, a score or more leading fish buying corporations in Scandinavian countries.

This control and ownership by Germans, according to the British view, will preface figures compiled by English agents in Holland, seeking to prove conclusively that all except a relatively small percentage of the fishing fleet's catch is sent across the border to Germany and her ally.

HENRI BERNSTEIN WINS  
PRAISE FOR BRAVERY

International News Service:  
PARIS, Aug. 25.—Lieut. Henri Bernstein, of the aviation corps of the French army, was today cited in an order of the day for valiant services on the Macedonian front. Lieut. Bernstein distinguished himself in reconnoitering duty and raids. Bernstein's exploits achieve additional interest from the fact that he once deserted from the French army. Afterward he fought a duel with Leon Daudet, son of the author of "Sapho." He is one of the foremost playwrights of France.

BROTHERHOODS  
WILL MAKE NO  
CONCESSIONS

Heads of Trainmen's Organizations Tell Pres't Wilson They Cannot Consider Any Other Agreement.

RAILWAY PRESIDENTS  
DIFFER RADICALLY

Difficulty is Being Experienced in Getting General Consent to Accept Wilson's Plan.

International News Service:  
WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—The brotherhoods' representatives now in Washington conferring with Pres't Wilson and the presidents and managers of the various railroads of the country in an effort to prevent a general strike will not concede from their acceptance of Pres't Wilson's plan to end the controversy. But under no circumstances will they make any further concessions to the railroads.

Pres't Wilson was so informed by the grand officers of the brotherhoods at the conference in the white house today which lasted for one hour and 25 minutes. While his cabinet members "cooled their heels" outside his study the president discussed the entire situation with the brotherhood leaders, seeking to find whether there was not some other compromise plan that could be agreed upon which would force a speedy settlement.

The brotherhood men told the president that they and their associates had accepted his plan of an eight-hour work day on a 10-hour basis of pay in good faith, abandoning all collateral considerations, including the demand for overtime, and that they must now stand pat. If the roads will not yield, they said, there was nothing for the men to do but order a general strike.

While the brotherhood men conferred with the president the managers and executives of the railroads held their first secret conference in their headquarters in the Willard hotel.

The conference between the president and the railway union chiefs was reported to have been somewhat animated. All of the brotherhood representatives united in telling the president that the railroads had gone to "the most unfair" lengths to manufacture apparent sentiment throughout the country against his proposed basis of settlement. In proof of this charge, W. G. Lee, president of the Brotherhood of Trainmen, filed with the president copies of a telegram from F. T. Sawdy of Spokane, Wash., declaring that J. L. Derocore, superintendent of the Northern Pacific, had sent all agents of that road a message ordering them to have as many farms, stock raisers, dairymen and merchants in their district write the president demanding that he insist that all of the questions now in dispute, including hours and wages, be settled by arbitration and that he abandon his own proposal of settlement.

## To Pay for Messages.

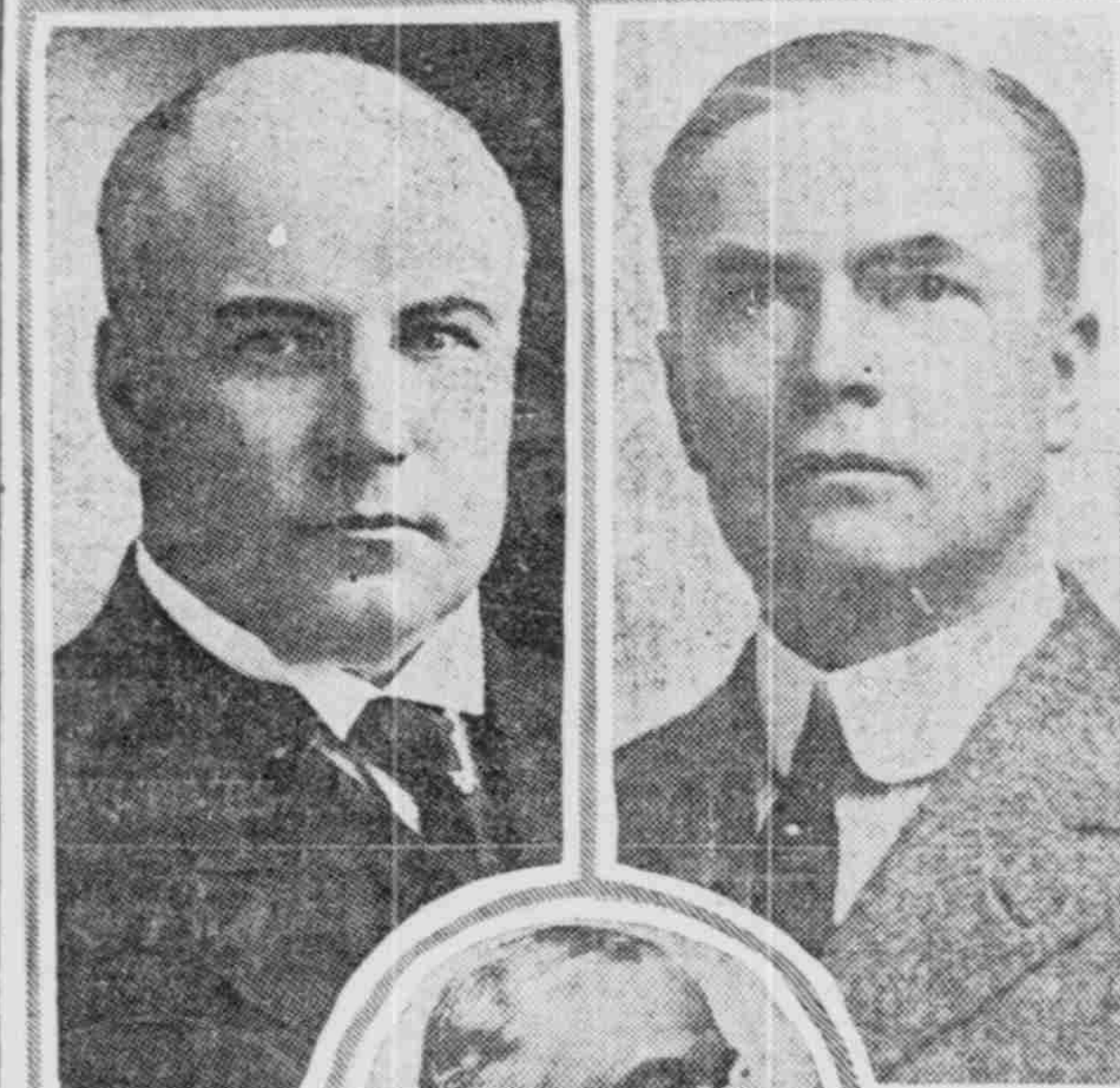
The message also said: "These telegrams are to be paid for from station funds and statement sent me for voucher to your credit. Might be well to have some of the prominent signers send message to their congressmen and senators in Washington in addition to those sent to Pres't Wilson. This is very important and must be given preference over normal business."

Lee told the president that this proved conclusively in his opinion, that the messages reaching Washington endorsing the position of the railroad heads were "manufactured." He also said that all of the committee members were receiving demands from their locals either to stand pat on the president's original proposition or to break off negotiations if the roads will not yield, and go through with the original program.

## Submits Proposal.

The president made no suggestions to the brotherhood chiefs, but sounded them out on a proposal that had been made to him by certain of the railway executives which would provide for acceptance of the eight-hour day, but would make the basis for payment the present compensation for nine hours instead of 10 as at present. This would have the effect of "splitting the difference" and would save the railroads half of the amount it was figured that the president's plan would

## Will Grapple With Mexican Problem



FRANKLIN K. LANE. JUDGE GEORGE GRAY. DR. JOHN R. MOTT. Photo by Reck.

Here are the three men who will represent the United States in the Mexican-American commission, to which, broadly, is to be entrusted the task of settling the Mexican issue.

Dr. Mott of New Jersey is the general secretary of the international committee of the Y. M. C. A. Judge Gray, now a United States circuit judge in Delaware, has served as attorney general of that state and as United States senator.

Views Murderous Fighting  
In Two French Villages  
As From Theater Gallery

By Frederick Palmer.

International News Service:  
AT THE BRITISH FRONT IN FRANCE, Aug. 24 (via London, Aug. 25).—There has been murderous work on both flanks where with every stage of British progress the fighting seems to become more bitter and the artillery fire hotter.

On the left the Germans hold to Thierval and on the right they cling to Guillemont, which of all the ruined villages, is now the most completely pestle-mixed by shell fire. Last night the repulse of the German attempt to drive the British out of the edge of Guillemont and the neighboring stone quarry was one of the bloodiest since the war began.

Tonight the British have been making further progress east of Delville woods tightening still closer the pincers on Ginchy and Guillemont. This afternoon the British pressed forward another lap toward Thierval and observers witnessed another artillery curtain of fire which utterly silenced the machine guns as the charging British picked their way among the shell craters for 400 yards up the hillsides and entered a German trench, sending back the usual number of prisoners.

It all was seen as clearly as if on a stage from the gallery, even to the detail of men standing on the edge of the trenches, throwing bombs as one might toss biscuits into a basket.

Clearing out snipers and plodding ahead with their supplies of bombs, and carrying light machine guns, that persistent line of infantrymen, under cover of the continuous roar of their own guns, and in the midst of bursting shells from the German artillery, never faltered, but reached the very top of the ridge, at one point along a front of 1,000 yards. They were within only 500 yards of the pulverized remains of what was once the village of Thierval, which has become the most redoubtable of names to hundreds of thousands of men.

Meanwhile the British kept on sending 15-inch shells into the Thierval area and German dugouts which lie deep under the wreckage of the houses, and spouts of smoke and dust rose to heights of 200 feet and what looked like bodies of men or sections of timber were tossed about.

ARMY MEASURE  
IS AGAIN READY

Appropriation Bill, Minus Objectionable Feature, Completes Program.

International News Service:  
WASHINGTON, Aug. 25.—The last of the administration preparedness measures, the army appropriation bill carrying it \$267,956,550, was ready for passage by the house today, thus completing the preparedness program so far as legislation is concerned. It then remains only for the navy and war departments to carry into effect the increases provided for both in personnel and material, to make the United States one of the great military powers of the world.

The bill will be minus the amendment exempting retired army officers from the operation of the articles of war. This amendment caused Pres't Wilson to veto the bill last week. The articles of war now are revised in the manner desired both by Pres't Wilson and the war department.

Indictments are expected the first of next week when the examiners will have concluded their work.

## TWO ELECTROCUTED.

RICHMOND, Va., Aug. 25.—Richard Green and Clifford Mickens, negroes, were electrocuted in the state penitentiary today.

Bremen Caught!  
Likely British  
Cock and Bull

International News Service:  
NEW YORK, Aug. 25.—That the German trans-Atlantic freight submarine, Bremen, has been captured by the British and taken into the port of Dover with two members of her crew of 35 dead from suffocation, was the information brought here today on the White Star liner, Baltic. The informant refused to allow the use of his name.

According to the story the Bremen became entangled in wire ropes and setting at the eastern end of the English channel on Aug. 2 and was taken into Dover harbor five days later.

The man giving the information is an officer of a British merchant vessel and the brother of an officer in the English navy.

The Overseas News agency of Berlin, in a dispatch sent out yesterday, stated that the Bremen did not sail from Germany for the United States until Aug. 16.

PUMPS ENEMY FULL OF  
LEAD, ENDING FEUD

International News Service:  
CHICAGO, Aug. 25.—A "back of the yards feud," which for months has held the attention of Chicago gangsters, was ended today when Frank Carney pumped five bullets from his automatic into Mike McDonough in a duel in Jim O'Leary's south side resort. McDonough died with an empty gun in his hand. Both men were noted for their quickness on the draw.

The feud has extended over a year. Once they fought with knives, but the interference of the police prevented an ending. Carney surrendered to the police.

LAPORTEAN IS CRUSHED  
TO DEATH BY ENGINE

International News Service:  
LAFORT, Ind., Aug. 25.—James Leysnis, 35 years old, an employee of the Advance Rumely Co., was crushed to death last night when he was caught between two traction engines. Nearly every bone in his body was broken.

PAGEANT AND TOUR  
CLOSES PROGRAM

Democratic Editors Royally  
Entertained at Michigan City Friday.

By Staff Correspondent.

MICHIGAN CITY, Ind., Aug. 25.—Indiana's democratic editors were royally entertained here today, the final day of their annual outing in Michigan City. Starting at 9:30 o'clock this morning, the visitors were taken on a long automobile tour over the city and the surrounding country, including a trip along Sheridan beach, on which the summer cottages hold out, to the various factories and over the smooth roads which have given Laporte county a reputation throughout the surrounding states.

After lunch the editors were the guests of Warden Fogarty at the state's prison. For the greater part of an hour the inmates drilled before the editors, after which a ball game was staged between two prison teams.

## Many View Pageant.

Many of the editors watched Michigan City's centennial pageant, which was produced on the beach near Washington park. More than 500 local people participated in the pageant, which was divided into six parts as follows:

I.—The first visitors to the dunes, the Indians and Father Marquette, 1685.

II.—The city settled, 1836.

III.—The city of the dunes linked with the nation's transportation life, 1857.

IV.—The state prison in the dune city, 1850-1915.

V.—The spirit of patriotism and the spirit of the Dunes, 1861.

VI.—The triumph of beauty and utility.

The pageant was a beautiful affair from beginning to end. The actors were well costumed and the stage settings displayed much hard work and forethought on the part of the producers. Practically every resident of Michigan City and hundreds of visitors attracted here by the editorial meeting, home coming week and the centennial, watched the pageant from the sand dunes just above the scene of the entertainment.

## Leave Late Today.

The editors were scheduled to leave here late today for their homes.

SECOND RAID IN  
24 HOURS ON  
BRITISH COAST

Many Casualties Result From  
Renewed Attack by Zep-  
pelin Squadron of Six  
Dropping Bombs.

ESCAPE IN CLOUDS  
WHEN DRIVEN AWAY

Greek Soldiers Join Allies in  
Effort to Check Advance  
of Bulgarian Army  
in Macedonia.

International News Service:  
LONDON, Aug. 25.—Zeppelin airships bombarded the outskirts of London early today, killing and wounding 29 persons. The electric power station and the engineering works were damaged by bombs.

Six airships took part in the raid. Cities on the eastern coast were attacked as well as London, while one airship penetrated far inland. Ships off the coast were also attacked.

In the first official statement issued by the war office no mention was made of the attack upon London, but a later statement issued this afternoon gave the details of it.

Thirty bombs were dropped in the eastern counties, the official report says, but in that district there were no casualties nor was any serious damage done.

The Zeppelin which reached the suburbs of London dropped bombs which resulted in the following casualties:  
Killed, three women, three men and two children; seriously injured, three men and four women; slightly hurt, seven women, four men and three children.

GREEKS NOT IN CONTROL.  
LONDON, Aug. 25.—Owing to the refusal of the Greek generals to evacuate eastern Macedonia and hand over the forts to the Bulgarians the Greek government has informed Germany that it is no longer master of the situation, says a dispatch transmitted by the Rome Wireless service today. It adds that Germany thereupon ordered the Bulgarians to discontinue their advance and evacuate the occupied Greek territory.

The information conveyed in the Rome dispatch is contradicted by messages from Saloniki which state that the Bulgarians are still trying to drive forward farther into Greece.

All of northern Greece has now become a vast battlefield. It reports of the arrival of Turks in the Balkans are correct; there are soldiers of 12 different nationalities now at grips in Macedonia. On the entire side there are British, French, Russian, Italian, Serbian, Montenegrin, Greek and Albanian soldiers. Arranged against them are Germans, Austro-Hungarians, Bulgarians and Turkish troops.

A Budapest dispatch to the Morning Post states that the Russians continue to mass troops on the Roumanian frontier and that this action is having a strong political effect in Roumania.

## Greeks Forced Back.

SALONIKI, Aug. 25.—Greek troops that are fighting with the British and French in an effort to check the advance of the Bulgarians through Greek Macedonia, have been forced to fall back in the region of Lake Thessalon after suffering heavy losses.

Dislodged from the front held by the allies right flank today of violent fighting in that district where the Bulgarians have been reinforced by bodies of comitadjis (Bulgarian irregulars).

Six hundred irregulars entered the town of Prosenik and seized large quantities of Greek army stores after which they sacked the place. They then occupied Djoumaja.

(Prosenik is six miles northwest of Seres and lies on the Saloniki-Constantinople railroad. Djoumaja, or Daum, is three miles northwest of Prosenik and is about a mile east of the Struma River.)

Semi-official reports from the Struma front state that the Greeks are still contesting stubbornly every inch of ground.

The defense of the Greek soldiers is being made in violation of an order sent by King Constantine to the Greek commander, Col. Christodoulos, to leave his troops to summer rest, but the colors, although he has not been warranted to do so by the general staff.